

Cancer drive will highlight Greek Week

Bradley Brenner

"I had cancer, and the research and knowledge they gained from other cancer drives helped me recover and live. I wanted to do this for someone else," said swimming coach Lewis Dyche. He accepted the chairmanship for the American Cancer Crusade for this year.

Greek Week is April 16-20 and coincides with the cancer drive. The Greek organizations will canvas Maryville, which makes up half of the county. The area will be blocked off into sections with one sorority and one or two fraternities taking each area.

Every April a drive of some sort raises money which goes toward research, hospitals and help for people with cancer in Nodaway County. Last year \$12,000 was raised through the drive, bike-a-thon and other special activities. They hope to bring in \$12,200 in this drive which ends May 1.

Coach Dyche said, "We must get the materials to the people to be aware of the early warning signs of cancer." The Greeks will offer materials on recognizing an early warning sign and general information about the Society and collect money as well. This will take place April 18 from 5-7 p.m.

Should a resident not be home, an

envelope addressed to Gary Staples at Citizens State Bank will be offered for donations. Anyone wishing to donate may send their tax-deductible contributions there. Coach Dyche said they need to "collect enough money to put it back in research and help the people with cancer as much as possible."

Many people offer their time as freely as does Dyche. "No one in Nodaway County receives money for their work," he said.

"Someone you know is going to have cancer because one out of every four people will have cancer," said Dyche. The pamphlet containing the early warning signals of cancer is a valuable piece of material.

"If I had known the signs, I would have saved myself lots of grief, pain, time and money." Dyche's cancer was detected four years ago. His latest surgery was "a

complete success. It can be cured. The earlier the treatment the better."

All Greeks crusading for the Cancer Society will wear a patch to show their officiality. Coach Dyche stressed his thanks toward the Greeks because it could not have been done without their offer of manpower.

"So many times we cuss the kids and forget how often they help the people and the community," he said.

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Dorms to reflect lifestyle survey

Interest floors will be an option to consider when completing next fall's housing contract.

Floors for 21-year-olds and over and graduate students, for nonsmokers and for those who prefer 24-hour quiet are being offered to dorm residents next fall.

According to Director of Housing Bruce Wake, "The main reason for these floors is that we're hoping because of their common interests, students will want to stay in the dorms and not move off campus."

The Housing Task Force distributed about 2000 lifestyle floor surveys to dorm residents last semester. Of the 445 respondents, 193 students expressed an interest in a floor for nonsmokers. The seventh floor of Dieterich, Phillips, Millikan and Franken and the fourth floor of Cooper and north Hudson will be designated for interested nonsmokers.

A floor for 21-year-olds and over and graduate students will be on the third floor Cook and center fourth floor Hudson. One hundred and twenty-nine students expressed an interest in this floor.

A dorm for 21-year-olds was tried several years ago but was unsuccessful according to Wake. "When students found that the regulations in that hall were going to be the same, most elected not to move to that dorm."

Although the regulations will again be much the same, Wake believes the floor will be successful. "This time we are starting out with a smaller area, and it will be easier to fill."

Longer visitation hours may be one of the more lenient regulations. Wake adds another possibility. "If it comes to the point where alcohol is legal on campus, I would say that we would try it first in the 21 and over area."

Twenty-four-hour quiet floor will be in Tower (fourth floor) and Hudson (north third floor). Sixty-two respondents expressed an interest in this type of floor.

"We hope this is just the starting point and that students will come up with other interest areas," said Wake.



Bleed-in

Sue Brenner was just one of the participants in the April 10 Blood Drive. Alpha Kappa Lambda social fraternity won the \$50-Student Senate award with 71 percent of their members donating blood. Sponsored by Senate, this semester's bloodmobile for the Community Blood Center

of Greater Kansas City collected 218 pints of blood. This represents 38 more donors than last semester's drive. Fifty-four willing donors were unable to give for health reasons. Photo by Dave Gieseke.

Lamkin renovation defeated

Renovation of Lamkin Gymnasium will not be funded during the current legislative session, but the probability that the 1979 General Assembly will respond positively is strong, reports Senator Truman Wilson, St. Joseph. The \$1.2 million request was voted down by the General Assembly.

Senator Wilson reported Tuesday to University officials the capital appropriations conference committee (composed of House and Senate members) rejected the request but did pass a measure to allocate \$50,000 to the University to use in planning the renovation, which hopefully will receive legislative and gubernatorial approval next year.

The St. Joseph senator and Kansas City Senator Harry Wiggins were prime movers in the Senate's passage of the \$1.2 million proposal, but Senator Wilson said the House had not included the item in its capital improvements bill. Thus the conference committee decided after debate to appropriate only the planning money in preparation for the eventual renovation.

"I feel this move by the conference committee is a valid commitment to do the work in the next fiscal year," Senator Wilson said. The planning money must still be approved by both legislative bodies and signed by the Governor before it is reality.

Also approved by the conference committee was \$416,402 in general repairs money.

University President Dr. B.D. Owens said if the planning money is appropriated the University will be ready with specific

plans for the renovation to present next year to the General Assembly. He expressed his appreciation to Senators Wilson and Wiggins and the entire Senate for their efforts in behalf of the Lamkin Gymnasium project.

Senator Wilson pointed out to the conference committee the critical need of the University to renovate the structure, but said he felt the House members were hesitant because it had not been a part of their capital improvements package for the state.

Journalism Day schedule

10:30	Anatomy of the Pulitzer: The Men and Their Creations. Dr. Carol Fry, moderator Ken Herman Frank Miller	Ad Building Auditorium
12:00	LUNCHEON	Student Union Ballroom
1:15	"Ethics of Reporting" - Ken Herman "Reporting Principles" - James V. Risser "Editorial Cartooning" - Frank Miller "The Art of Criticism" - Frank Peters, Jr.	Ad Building Auditorium Charles Johnson Theatre Upper Lakeview Room 217 Garrett-Strong
2:15	Afternoon sessions repeated	



Dr. George Gayler, left, and Perry Echelberger tape a session of the KXCV-FM Brain Bowl, a radio quiz program in history for competing

area high schools. Savannah High School is the defending champion. Photo by Frank Mercer.

Brain Bowl tests history skills

Fourteen area high schools are participating in the sixth annual KXCV-FM Brain Bowl during the month of April. Coordinated by the Department of History and KXCV-FM, the Brain Bowl is a radio quiz program in the general category of history.

Coordinator of the event Sharon Shipley said, "We primarily designed this program because there are so many levels of other recognition in high school except for history."

Designed to encourage interest in history, the questions are 75 percent on American and European history and the remaining 25 percent are taken from humanistic studies, current events, geography, sports and general knowledge.

Dr. George Gayler prepared the questions and will act as quiz master. Dr. Harmon Mothershead will be the judge of the competition. Perry Echelberger is the host, and Warren Stucki is the engineer for the program.

Interest in the Brain Bowl has maintained the participation in the event. "It has reached the point where history teachers anticipate the Brain Bowl as a big event in classroom motivation," Shipley said.

Competition will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, April 4-27. By random drawing the schools are set up for

competition with single elimination. Winners are invited to return for subsequent competition culminating in the final play-offs for \$3100 in scholarships to NWMSU.

First-place team members will each receive a \$500 scholarship; second-place team members, a \$300 scholarship. A \$500 scholarship will be given to the participant tallying the greatest point average during the contest. Instructors of the first and second place teams will receive a \$100 scholarship to be used for graduate study.

Savannah High School is returning to defend their two-year championship. Final competition will be held April 27 at 1:30 p.m. and aired at 6:30 p.m. Each competition will be taped and aired on KXCV-FM weeknights at 6:30 p.m., April 10-27.

Savannah defeated South Nodaway 319-42 April 4 and will be competing with Northeast Nodaway April 13. Team members for Savannah are Ed Frock, Ed Anderson and Loren Harter with alternate

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48-hour weekend to be reinstated

Reinstatement of the 48-hour weekend, parking proposals and the food contract received heavy attention at Tuesday night's Student Senate meeting.

Last week Senate sent a letter to President Dr. B.D. Owens asking for the reinstatement of the 48-hour weekend. The president met with members of Senate and IRC telling them there would be an open weekend April 21-23.

Several stipulations surrounding the weekend put more responsibility on the individual units. Any dormitory having trouble will lose the open weekend privilege instead of the entire campus losing the privilege.

Other stipulations require that if vandalism occurs security must be immediately called, dorm presidents must evaluate the weekend and security must be notified several weeks in advance of a planned open weekend so extra people can be hired. Each dorm will arrange their own escort policy.

Increases in parking fines and a decrease in parking stickers constituted compromises in the parking proposals. Parking fines will cost \$1 per violation, an increase of 50 cents, and fines over 72 hours old will be charged an additional \$4. Parking stickers will cost \$5 per semester, half of what they presently cost.

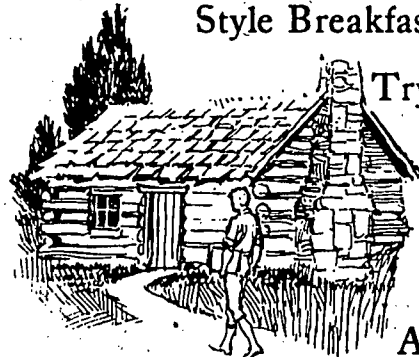
Stickers will be checked between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. and lots will be assigned to students and staff when they obtain their stickers.

After the second violation, letters will be sent to registered students or staff members. If the fines are not paid within 96 hours the vehicle will be immobilized. After eight hours the vehicle will be towed away at the violator's expense.

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Harambee lists board members

Next semester the Harambee House is replacing its past decentralization system with a new board-type administration. The new director is James Nesbitt with Ben Birchfield as co-director.

"The reason for the change is so we can get more people and their ideas involved in the organization," said Nesbitt. "In the past we've had one person take the burden of running the Harambee House which is almost impossible to do. Linda Lyman, our outgoing leader, did a fantastic job this year, but was often confronted with having to do too much at once.

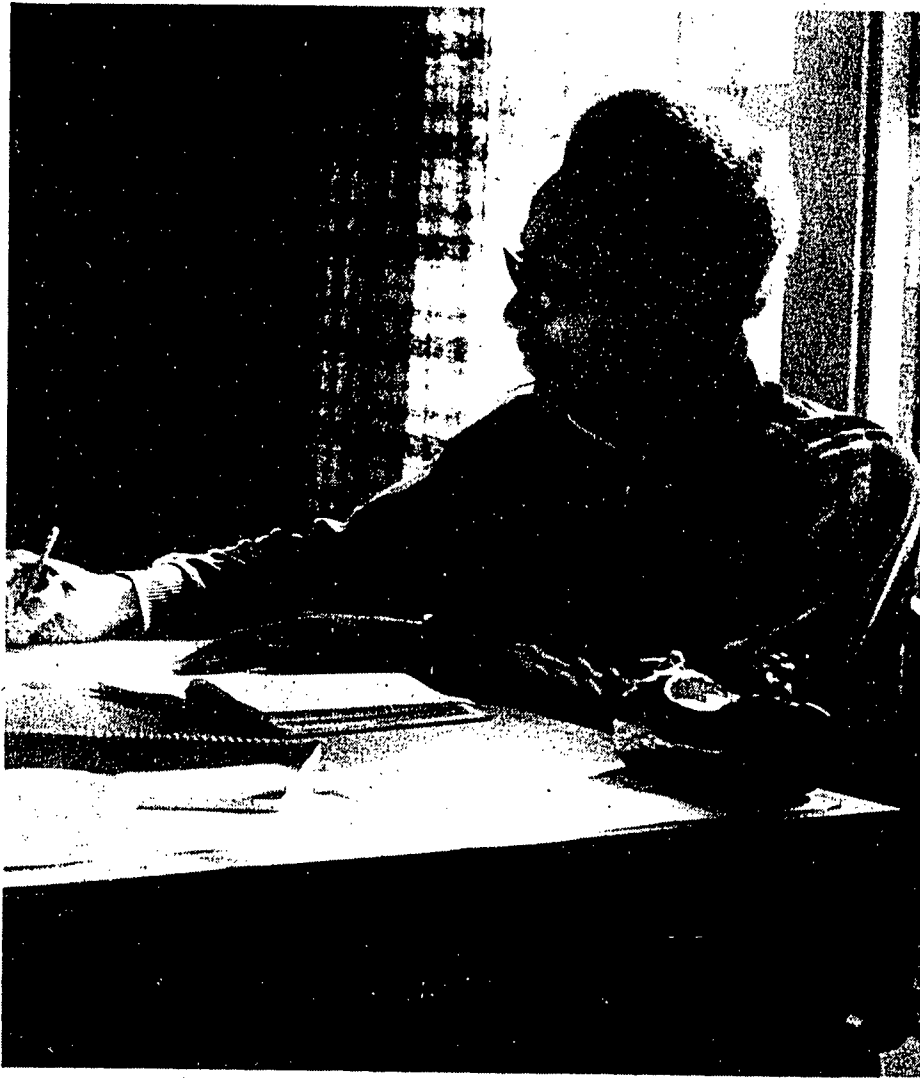
"With the new board system the possibilities to better the center are great," said Nesbitt. "Presently we're planning a recruitment program for the days of April 16-18. We also have our annual bush (picnic) for the spring," he said.

Like Nesbitt, Birchfield also sees the new administration as a definite advantage to the Harambee House. "There will be more members communicating both within the Harambee House and outside with other various groups," said Birchfield.

Birchfield, who will be a senior in the fall, cites money as another key issue to the Harambee House. "In the past the University has given us a limited budget because they deemed us as an organization that is not well known. We hope to change this by becoming more involved. We're now setting up a calendar of events for next year so that we have something to work with when we come back. Everything right now is a long-range goal."

Along with the director and co-director, the new board includes six other members. They are activities chairmen Glen Brown and Cecelia Tate, Myrl Lee as personnel manager, Cynthia Prather as the business manager, and Barry Rumble and Charles Walker as the other members.

"We openly encourage everyone to visit with us at the Harambee House because we need more new ideas," said Nesbitt. "We're looking forward to next year. The more people that become involved the greater the chances are that we can be successful."



James Nesbitt, the newly elected board director of Harambee House goes over some endless paperwork as part of the tasks of his new position. Nesbitt plans to get more people and their ideas involved in the organization in the near future. Photo by Dave Young.

Teaching jobs may be found Placement Day

Representatives from 80 schools are expected to participate in the annual Teacher Placement Day in the Union Ballroom on April 17, according to Don Carlile, director of placement.

The event is open to anyone looking for a teaching position for the 1978-79 school year, including alumni, graduate students and graduating seniors. Student teachers will be excused from their responsibilities that day.

It is an information session with no real interviews taken, Carlile explained, but contacts made at the event can result in interviews leading to jobs. Each participant will be given a "program" with a list of openings and their respective schools according to Carlile. Representatives will be identified at their tables.

"The representatives are the employing officials of the school district," Carlile said. "It might be the superintendent, principal or someone else."

The Teacher Placement Day starts at 9:30 a.m. and will last as long as there is interest.

Schools participating will be from Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas. Response has been good, with 44 schools replying less than a week after receiving notices. The schools have sent a list of vacancies they now have or will have next fall.

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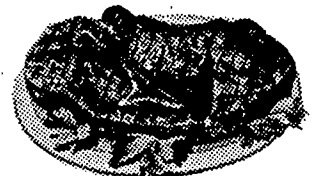
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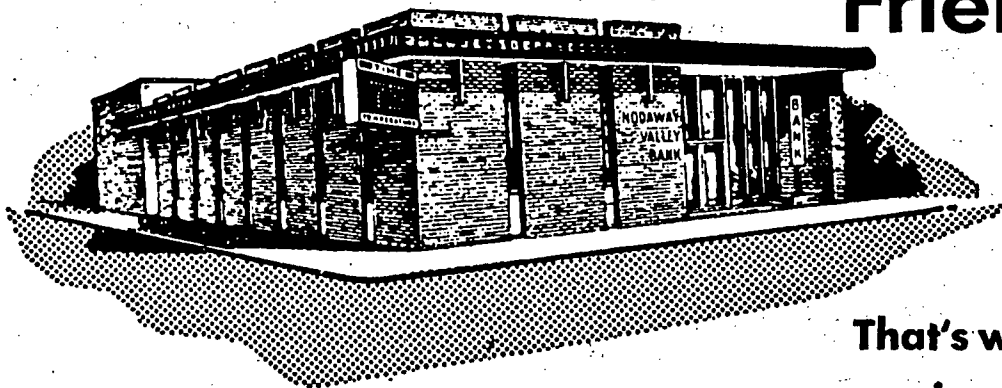
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'The Tempest' storms Little Theatre



Costumes are an integral part of *The Tempest*, playing April 13-16. Above, Randy Kindred as the hellish fish-monster Caliban. Right, Kerry Bunker and Steve Wray plot a murder.

Photos by Jay Liebhenguth.

Carole Patterson

Eerie lights, pale green nymphs and crashing thunder accent *The Tempest*, a University Players production running April 13-16.

Costume and special effects are indeed this show's main attraction, as well as the play being Shakespeare's most delightful fantasy.

Sound effects range from lilting flute melodies to the roar of a shipwreck, and lighting is used to create fear, gaiety and suspense.

Costumes are elaborate--several principal players dress like royalty, which in most cases is true, and the clothing for the spirits, monster and drunks is unique and exciting.

Uniqueness is further stressed by the new "complete round" face in the Little Theatre. Three sets of steps lead into the sunken stage and the audience will be seated three-fourths of the way around.

The Tempest is challenging and

involved, characteristic of Shakespearean drama, but the fantastic island setting, dreamy atmosphere and clever humor lend this play to the enjoyment of even the most dubious about Shakespeare.

Excellent performances are put forth by Kevin Cordray as Prospero, Susan Grace as Miranda, Dussie Mackey as Ariel, Randy Kindred as the fish-monster Caliban, Alan Hughes as Ferdinand, Rick Morrison as the drunken Stephano, Dick Blair as Trincula the court jester and Jon Kruse as old Gonzolo.

Other cast members include Kevin Brunner, Steve Wray, Kerry Bunker, Ron Stadler, Mark Crawford, Terry Carter, Kurt Hamilton, Linda Grimes, Jody Searcy, Mary Kay McDermott, Deborah Perkins, Deb Keiffer and Melody Demar.

Tickets for the show are free with an activity pass and \$2 without one. Curtain time is 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. matinees will be presented Saturday and Sunday.



Album Autopsy

Steve Stucker

Santa Esmaralda - Don't Let Me Be Misunderstood

Don't Let Me Be Misunderstood, Santa Esmaralda has a super album on the market. This one is a surprise because I have been listening to the short version of the title cut for some time, and it really hasn't done much for me.

But the album is a completely different story. Combining a strong brass section with some heavy-sounding Spanish strings and led by the outstanding vocals of Leroy Gomez, the title cut turns into a sixteen-minute dance-a-thon. The amaz-

ing thing is that a cut this long is so good that you hate to hear it end. (Remember "In-a, Gadda-Da-Vida"?)

Side Two is more good news. . . an oldie but goodie, a slow one to catch your breath and another fast-grabber to liven things up. *Don't Let Me Be Misunderstood*, you're going to dance all night with this one!

38 Special - Special Delivery

Their first album came out early last year, drawing critical acclaim and not much else due mainly to the old

"who-are-those-guys?" routine. In order to avoid a repeat, 38 Special sent their latest *Special Delivery*.

One thing that is repeated is some of the best rock'n'roll you'll ever hear these days!! Sharing musical roots with Lynyrd Skynyrd (Thirty Eight's lead singer is Donnie Van Zant, brother to the late Ronnie), these guys put out a sound that combines the best segments of many of today's top acts.

It's fast-paced, hard-driving action that is equally excellent for listening or dancing. *Special Delivery* won't be a best-seller--and that's a shame because it should be.

K.C. Philharmonic returns to campus for April 17 show

Bringing its musical expertise to campus, the Kansas City Philharmonic will appear April 17 as the last event in the 1977-78 Performing Arts and Lecture Series.

The orchestra returns this year after a two-year absence, not having played on campus since 1975.

Conducted by Frank Collura, associate conductor, the Philharmonic will perform the following selections:

"Overture to *Le Maschere*" by Mascagni

"*La Primavera (Spring)*" from "*Le Quattro Stagioni (The Four Seasons)*" by Vivaldi

"*La Campanella* from Concerto No. 2 in B minor" for violin and orchestra by Paganini

"*Symphony No. 7 in D minor*" by Dvorak

Yluval Waldman, the orchestra's co-principal First Violinist, will play the solo violin parts in the works by Vivaldi and Paganini.

Admission to the concert will be free with an activity card. Tickets will be available at the Lamkin Gymnasium Box Office the evening of the concert, beginning at 7:15 p.m. The concert begins at 8 p.m.

A grant from the Missouri Arts Council made the concert possible.

Sing it

Debbie Robinson, Tammy Jennings, Jack Hofmocker and Phil Thatcher try out for University Chorale solos to be presented in a combined Chorale and University Singers concert April 19. It will take place in the Charles Johnson Theatre at 8 p.m. and no admission will be charged. Photo by Frank Mercer.



Photos win

Winners of the First Annual Missourian Photo Contest have been announced. There were 101 entries in the contest from 24 students.

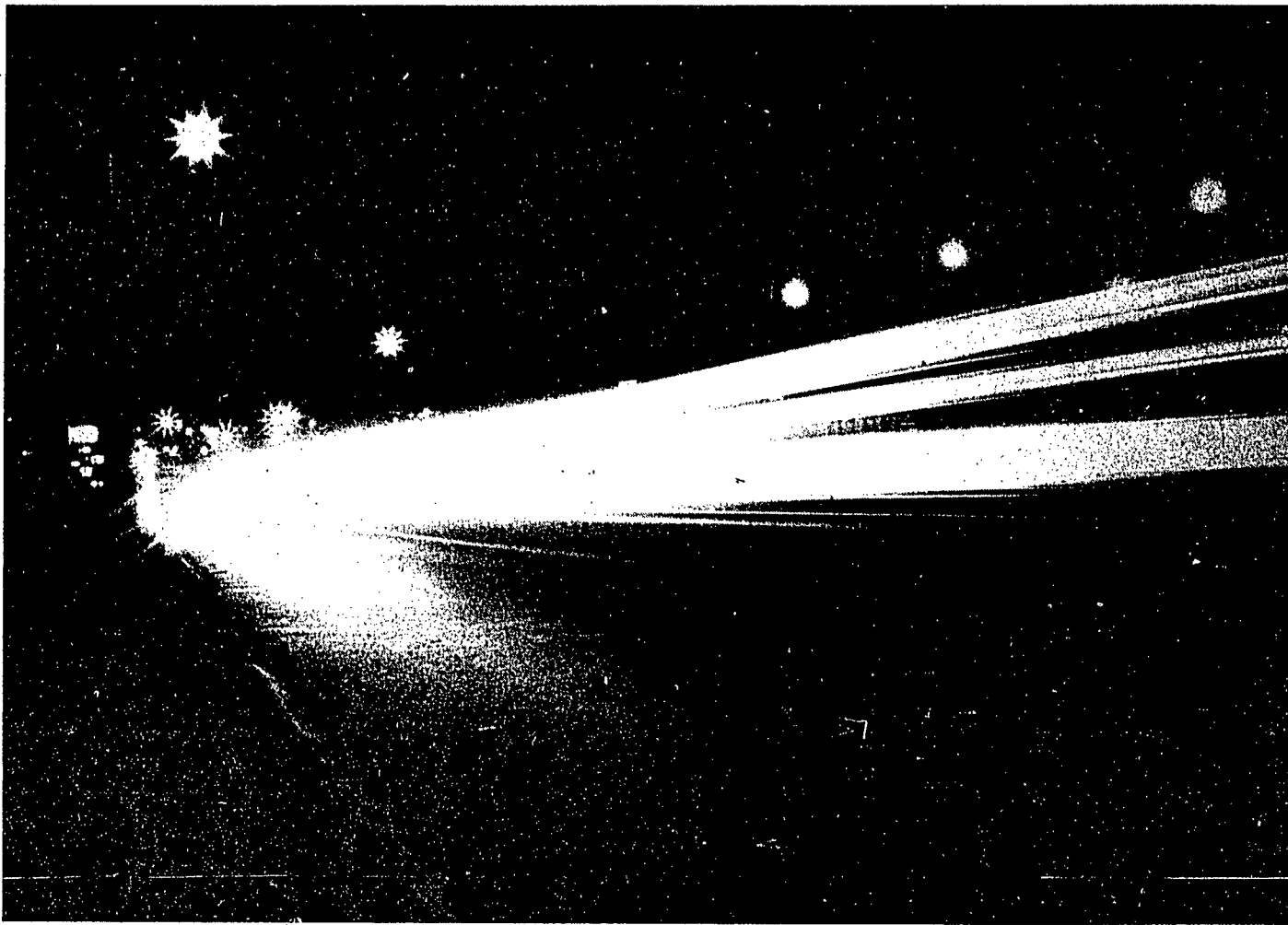
Judges Mike Sherer, Phil Laber and Perry Echelberger admitted to some tough competition. "I was surprised with the number of entries," said Echelberger, "and I'm glad to see someone at the University doing something toward recognizing photography as an art form."

Photos were broken down into six categories--action, people and open in black and white and color.

Winners in the action category were Jeff Jensen, first; Jay Liebenguth, second; Jeff Combs, third in black and white and Dave Young, first, second and Sherer's Judge's Award; and Steve Hangle, third.

In the people category winners were Wayne Vollmer, first and Echelberger's Judge's Award; Diana Schweitzer, second; Combs, third; and Don Santoyo, honorable mention in black and white and Liebenguth first and second in color.

The open category, also the largest, winners were Kevin Williams, first, second and Laber's Judge's Award and honorable mention in black and white and Jill Watrous, first and honorable mention; Young, second and Hangle third in color.



Pictured above and clockwise are the first place black-and-white winners. An old window is the open category winner by Kevin Williams; lights in motion by Jeff Jensen won first in action; and the fireman by Wayne Vollmer placed first in the people category.

Certificates are being awarded to all winners, and prizes are being awarded to the first place winners in each category and may be picked up in McCracken Hall any time next week. The winning photos will be displayed at the Little Theatre during The Tempest performances and also in Colden Hall, third floor, next week.

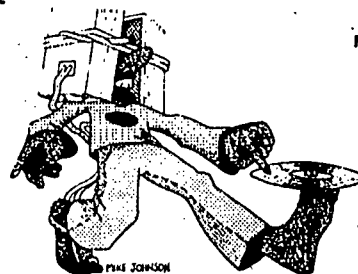
Other photos may be picked up in McCracken next week. Winning photos will be returned after April 24.

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Circle K proves itself

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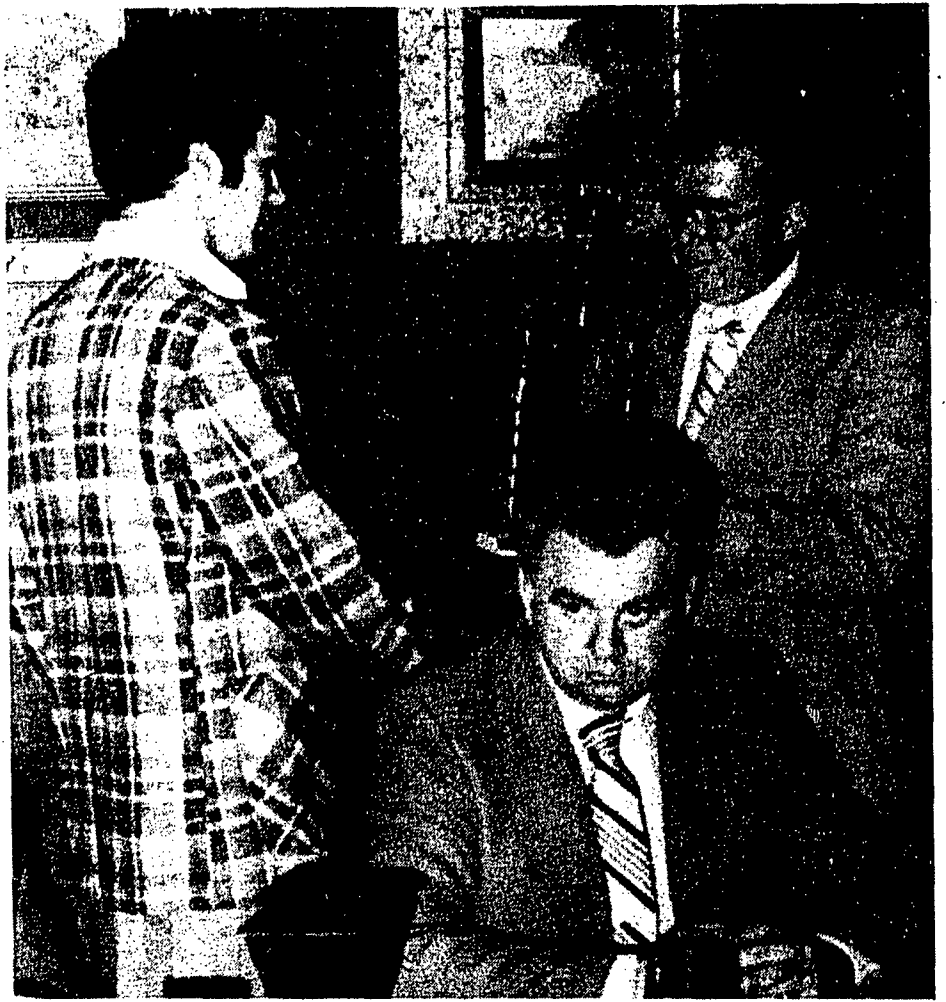
Club President Mike Kinman accepted the trophy which is based upon week-by-week and month-by-month reports to the district of the Club's service projects. As a corollary to being recognized as the top club in the district, the organization's sponsoring Maryville Kiwanis Club received the "Outstanding Sponsor" award.

Operations manager at KXCV-FM, Perry Echelberger, received the "Outstanding Adviser".

Lisa Wilson was elected District Lt. Governor at the convention. One of five Lt. Governors, she will serve the district's Mark Twain Division, a geographic area of Missouri north of I-70 Interstate Highway.

Laurie Anderson was elected district secretary. She said, "It's going to be a lot of work but fun." Her duties will include doing all correspondence, receiving reports from clubs in the district and attending conventions.

Kyle Garrett, vice-president of the local club, said, "It was quite an honor to win because this is our first year and there are 38 clubs in the district." He felt their Halloween party for the senior citizens and other projects helped greatly in winning. Kyle's brother, Kevin is serving as treasurer for the club.



Mike Kinman, president of Circle K, presents the outstanding sponsor trophy to the president of the Maryville Kiwanis Club, Steve Dempsey. Seated at the table is Bud Boyles, another Kiwanis Club member. Photo by Jay Liebenguth.

Senate continued

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Appeals may be made within five days following receipt of the ticket but fines won't have to be paid until the appeal has been decided.

Reactions to the proposals were mixed. "I don't think we should support it. Last semester we took an opinion vote, 14-12, to support open-parking," said junior senator Mic Jones. "We are here to do what's in the best interest of the student. I've talked to many students and they want open-parking."

Steve Holle, junior senator, said the proposal was good "and we should support it."

The new food contract as presented to Senate reflected a relaxing of present rules. Ten-meal contracts, not including weekend meals are being proposed as well as allowing the student to cancelling the food contract during the semester by paying a \$50 fee in addition to the meals already consumed. Currently students are not allowed to cancel meal contracts within a semester.

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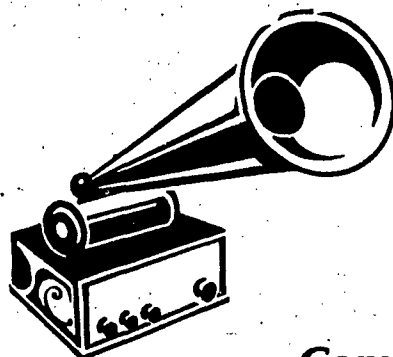
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Kevin Vall

If you've recently seen people resembling zombies walking around campus carrying paddles and other items unfit for campus social standards, don't be alarmed.

Boris Karloff is not conducting monster clinics on campus. Rather these students are going through a ritual called fraternity pledgship. More specifically, the pledging is in its "Hell Week" phase.

There are six men's social fraternities on campus, all having their own methods of pledgship. Because fraternities choose to keep many of their pledging activities secret to protect some of the mystery involved with it and for fear of being brought up for hazing by those who frown upon such activities, names of fraternities or pledges shall not be mentioned.

Hell Week is the most well-known aspect of pledging to the campus. This is because many activities are displayed by the pledges' appearance. Paddles covered with socks stand at their sides along with decorative hats such as World War I army helmets and flying caps. Some pledges carry a plastic bag wrapped around their belts filled with junk referred to as a "bag of goodies."

"A week of no sleep" would seem to be a fitting slogan for some fraternities. This occurs during Hell Week where a pledge is required to go almost a full week without sleep. They are constantly hounded by actives and often resort to the classroom for a nap.

If they can't sleep then they might as

well make themselves useful. And that they do as the actives assign important tasks such as swimming in the pond at 2 a.m., marching around campus military-style and singing degenerate songs or running down to the Hitching Post to satisfy the appetite of a starving active after a hard night of drinking and merriment.

The Navy has a saying "Join the Navy and see the world." Pledges could certainly develop a saying comparable to that--"Be a pledge and see beautiful Maryville."

Almost every fraternity has a tradition of taking pledges for a marathon walk one night of Hell Week. If you should ever need directions to a street, look for your nearest pledge.

Body building is another important aspect of pledging. Pledges are constantly quizzed over their books and other odd information they have learned during their ordeal.

Unless the pledge has a fantastic memory, which is usually not the case, he is asked to do some exercises to refresh his memory. Most often push ups are assigned. "How many grains of sand are there at Miami Beach? You don't know? Give me 50."

Pledging on the whole is a semester full of madness and merriment. Looking back on the charades endured during pledging, one can only laugh and place these thoughts in the back of their heads.

Some say the pledge is a fool, but to those who have experienced it, it is a part of their life that will never be forgotten.



Alpha Kappa Lambda pledges perform a sunrise ceremony of raising the American and fraternity flags as a part of their Hell Week. This is just one of many rituals that pledges perform during Hell Week. Photo by Dave Young.

Greek Week Calendar

April 16- All-campus Bash. .25 hotdogs with proceeds going towards the American Cancer Society.

April 17- Reception. Faculty, administration, alumni.

April 18- Canvassing of the Maryville area for the American Cancer Society. Collect money and hand out material on cancer.

April 19- GAMES: 3-legged race, bicycle race, tug of war, egg contest, canoe races (Boy Scouts), innertube races on the pond, faculty tricycle race, Super Star competition chariot races, obstacle course.

April 20- Greek sponsored dance at the Tivoli. Outstanding Greek guy, girl and organization awards presented. Cancer Society representative will receive the money raised.

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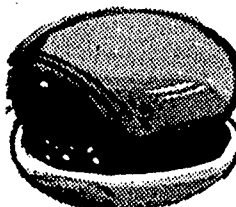


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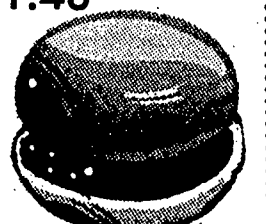
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Saturday, April 8-3 p.m.

Sweat.

The afternoon sun has heated the campus to a sweltering 86 degrees when the truck comes with Firefall's equipment. Amplifiers, speakers and instruments have to be unloaded in Lamkin Gymnasium. And that makes for a lot of sweat.

Wiping his forehead with his bare arm after the truck is empty, one boy verifies the difficulty in unloading the huge truck. "I didn't see one person without blood on their hands. Everyone kept yelling, 'Where's a Bandaid?'"

Roadies and students paid for their help are making the gym look more like a concert hall by the minute. Everyone is shouting, dashing. Everyone is busy.

Saturday, April 8-5:30 p.m.

Four girls are playing softball outside Lamkin, oblivious to the music pouring from the open door.

Inside, Firefall is making a sound check. Most of the dashing is over. Technicians are trying to get the sound as pure as possible.

"Do you want us to do it again with the whole band or just keyboards?" asks singer-guitarist Larry Burnett, into the microphone.

"Whole band this time," someone answers from the back or the gym.

When the check is over and things are in proper order, the band casually begins to wander away to eat supper.

The crew, however, eats on stage. And over meal served cafeteria-style in a styrofoam tray, Firefall's stage manager Dallas Schoo explains the ins and outs of playing a college circuit.

"On college tours (problems) can happen because the kind of colleges we seem to play right now--the smaller colleges--are not ready to accommodate what we're trying to do."

He brushes his long, blond hair from his cheeks and continues. "Power is also a problem. Firefall is a bigger show than most shows that usually play this kind of college."

"The dressing rooms are usually in locker rooms, the food is not hot or something, and they've just got an entertainment chairman that has something like that to do once a year."

He stops to insert a piece of chicken and swallows.

**"It's a lot
of pulling TEETH."**

—Dallas Schoo

"It depends on the clock," he says, "so I can do a sound check at a certain time and have time in between for the crew and the band to eat--so it all depends on the clock. When things aren't in order, it's no fun, and the crew gets burned out. And the band will never feel it. All they see is the stage."

"It's a lot of pulling teeth, and it adds up on a college tour. That's what my job is, and I accept that, but it can be done right. Every once in awhile you get a group of people that really know how to pull off a show."

But according to Dallas, that isn't very often.

Saturday, April 8-8 p.m.

More sweat.

Lamkin Gym is loaded with bodies, with heat, with anticipation.

Lights go down. Brian Bowers, a native Virginian, plays a down-home autoharp and sings to a restless crowd for 25 minutes.

More minutes pass.

Then, as expected, Firefall appears on stage and proceeds to rock the rafters with half a dozen songs and exciting unreleased material for two solid hours.

Now Firefall is just your average rock and roll band, but it's well structured. Near-technically perfect, it blends vocal harmony with electric and acoustic guitar, keyboards, drums, flute and saxophone.

The group has been together for three and a half years according to Dallas. Michael Clarke, the regular drummer, was in a car accident and is replaced by the drummer for Andy Gibb during this tour.

Other members are lead vocalist and guitarist Rick Roberts, who makes Firefall sound like Firefall; Mark Andes, bassist; Jock Bartley, lead guitarist; Larry Burnett, guitarist and vocalist; and David Muse, keyboards and horns.

Saturday, April 8-10:45 p.m.

Ears still ringing, the crowd drifts randomly from the concert site. The show is over.

Backstage, the band cools down, chugging soft drinks and hanging out the loading door into the open air. It has been a hot night.

Visibly overheated and still wearing his straw hat, Jock Bartley agrees to an interview with one condition. It has to be outside.

No problem. Sitting on a ledge outside the loading door, Jock explains his feelings toward college tours.

"I like them personally. They're good audiences. The one thing I don't like about it is we always end up playing in gyms or ice arenas or something, so the sound is those places is usually pretty terrible. But this tour we're doing almost totally colleges, more out-of-the-way little towns because our third album isn't out yet although it's done. It's called 'Elan' and it'll be out in June, so we're kinda killing time until we go hit our major tour here later in the summer."



"I'll tell you what," he continues. "We're real psyched about our third album because the material is so good and the performances are good and it's just a good album."

He is optimistic. So how does he feel about tonight's performance? "Well, I thought it was--" he pauses. "...real decent. It's kinda hard to gauge. I know when we have a real good show, and we all know when we have a real bad show, but kind of in between is hard to gauge. . . so tonight I thought we played relatively well. . . but on the feeling side it was way in our favor--it was real heavy."

In mid-sentence, Larry Burnett walks up and accuses Jock, "You got my Coke!" Jock is appalled. "I do?"

"Yeah." Larry is getting tough. "You're drinkin' that cyclamate-loaded Dr. Pepper."

"AAUURRGH!" screams Jock dramatically, and he takes a long drink from the glass.

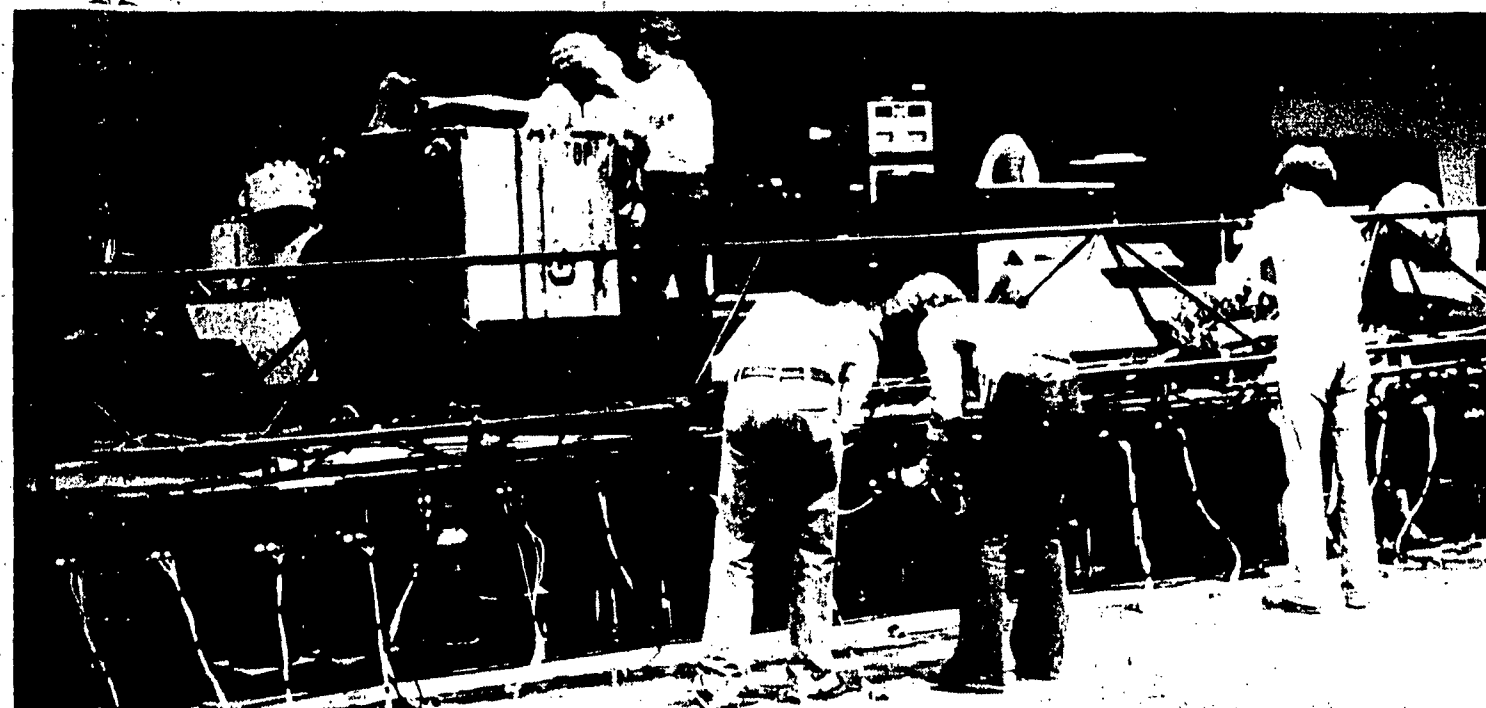
It's been a long day for everyone.



Firefall rocks through a sweat-filled Lamkin Gym. Left and clockwise: Roadies and students tear down the stage; guitarists Rick Roberts, Mark Andes and Larry Burnett in perfect harmony; Jock Bartley, lead guitarist; Andes, Bartley and David Muse; fans enjoy the show despite the heat.

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Student busdrivers find jobs driving kids

Kathy A. Delk

Instead of riding in a school bus, have you ever thought of driving one?

Several college students are doing just that.

"A fraternity brother told us about the job," said junior Mark Burnside and senior Greg Olenius. Both drive school buses for Horace Mann Learning Center. Burnside has been driving for two semesters and Olenius for one.

"Many college kids have to have jobs," said Wilbur Adams, University bus driver. "Students have been driving the Horace Mann buses as long as I've been here and that's been 18 years. There are four students driving now."

An R.A. told sophomore Leonard Fullbright about an opening at Dave's Bus Company in Maryville. He's been driving 55 students, kindergarten through high school, to school each day for the past 15 months. According to Fullbright, 11 other college students drive buses for Dave's Bus Company.

"If you're from a farm and have driven hay trucks, then you can drive a bus," said Burnside.

"The only difference from driving a car," Olenius added, "is that you have to watch the kids."

To drive a school bus, one must have a chauffeur's license. Before getting the license, it is necessary to pass a written and driving test.

But driving a bus requires much more than passing test.



"Going my way?" Junior Mark Burnside picks up riders at Horace Mann Learning Center. He's driven the school bus for Horace Mann for the past two semesters. Busdrivers for the school are all college students and the bus service in Maryville is also staffed mainly with students. Photo by Rod Nelson.

"A person needs to be responsible, patient with the kids and cautious," explained Burnside. "You have to use your head all the time; something can always happen. In the winter you can hit a car in no time at all, and you're always sliding through intersections. You have to know how to react."

Liking children is an important qualifica-

tion for driving a school bus said Fullbright. "You're not in it for the money, and it's time-consuming."

Fullbright begins his route at 6:30 a.m. and finishes at 8 a.m. In the afternoon he begins at 2:30 and ends at 4 p.m.

Burnside drives three times a day with his route beginning at 7:30 a.m. He drives again at noon and later in the afternoon,

ending at 4 p.m. "It's just like working a regular job. I have classes in between driving, and it works out real well." The route Olenius drives is at noon.

Experiences while driving range from Fullbright getting hit with a ball of clay his first day to Burnside sitting in the bus for two hours with seven children after a snowstorm.

"During the winter, there were some days when area schools were out and Horace Mann had school. That's fine, but when the roads are bad, it's hard to drive a bus. It (bus) can't make it up small-grade hills, can't stop and it's easy for a school bus to hold up traffic," said Burnside.

When he got stuck, he kept the children occupied by singing and playing games until help came. A mother sent Burnside a letter complimenting him.

Discipline isn't a problem with the bus drivers. "When they (children) are yelling a lot, I turn the radio up, and they quiet down," said Olenius.

Other discipline can be having the children sit in the front seat, taking them to the principal or calling their parent. "You can't kick a kid off the bus," said Adams, "but you don't have to pick them up."

Bus driving has its rewards, too.

"I can see the changes in the kids. They grow up right in front of you," said Burnside. "There's a little girl on my bus who was really quiet and cried when she first started riding the bus. Now she talks and laughs and teases everyone!"

Dolphins to 'reminisce'

Featuring a program of synchronized swimming with a theme of "reminiscence," the Sigma Phi Dolphins will present their 30th annual swim show April 19-22 at 8 p.m. in Martindale pool.

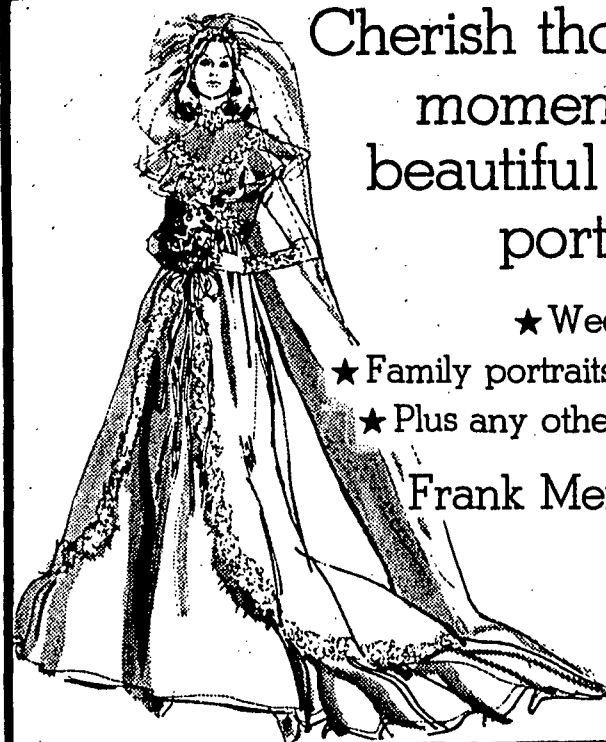
According to Barbara Bernard, acting chairperson of the department of women's physical education and director of the Dolphins since 1966, this year's production is entitled "A Past Year of College Coed."

By using a variety of synchronized swimming techniques, the Dolphins will depict various aspects of college life. Included in the program will be routines entitled "Moving In," "Social," "Halloween," "Studies," "Spring Break,"

"Home Sickness," "Easter," and "Part-Friends."

"Synchronized swimming is a method of interpreting music in the water," said Bernard. "You take basic swimming strokes and use them to depict a mood." She added that the individual swimmers must synchronize their movements with the music and other swimmers.

Sigma Phi Dolphins, NWMSU's synchronized swim club, dates back to 1949 when Dr. Jesse Jutten, then a member of the department, formed the club. The Dolphins give the students a chance to participate in swimming other than on the competitive level said Bernard.



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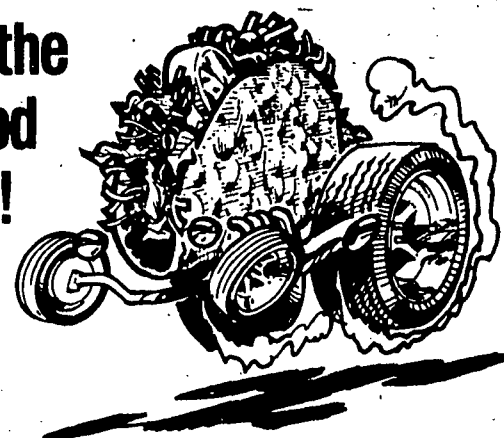
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Kids collect for conservation fund

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Dr. Easterla is a curator of Dobbins Wildlife.

The students prepared a newsletter which they distributed throughout the Maryville community and on campus.

"We couldn't have done it without the college kids and faculty. We deeply appreciate the college students helping us save land for the wildlife," John Fussner, Horace Mann teacher, said.

The newsletter contained articles about what the students were presently studying in science, an editorial on "Why Does Wildlife Need Us" and endangered species in wildlife.



Horace Mann students find out different aspects of wildlife as they study life in a terrarium. These students and their teacher John Fussner collected over \$200 for the preservation of wildlife land. Pictured from left to right are Stephanie Funston, Tami Wilmarth, Craig Zahnd, Fussner and Clay Petry. Photo by Dave Gieseke.

Finals Schedule

Final examinations begin at 1:00 p.m., May 3 and end at 9:00 p.m. May 9, 1978.

Classes meeting for the first time in the week: Date and hour of final examination:

4:00 Monday.....Wednesday, May 3, 1:00 p.m.
9:00 Monday.....3:30 p.m.
Eng. 220 and Sp. 220.....7:00 p.m.

10:00 Tuesday.....Thursday, May 4, 7:30 a.m.
2:00 Tuesday.....10:00 a.m.
10:00 Monday.....1:00 p.m.
1:00 Tuesday.....3:30 p.m.
Biol. 102.....7:00 p.m.

12:00 Monday.....Friday, May 5, 7:30 a.m.
Pol. Sci. 102.....10:00 a.m.
4:00 Tuesday.....1:00 p.m.
8:00 Monday.....3:30 p.m.
P.E. 250.....7:00 p.m.

Hist. 151.....Saturday, May 6, 8:00 a.m.
8:00 Tuesday.....10:30 a.m.
1:00 Monday.....1:00 p.m.

Chem. 113.....Monday, May 8, 7:30 a.m.
9:00 Tuesday.....10:00 a.m.
11:00 Monday.....1:00 p.m.
11:00 Tuesday.....3:30 p.m.
Sp. 102.....7:00 p.m.

12:00 Tuesday.....Tuesday, May 9, 7:30 a.m.
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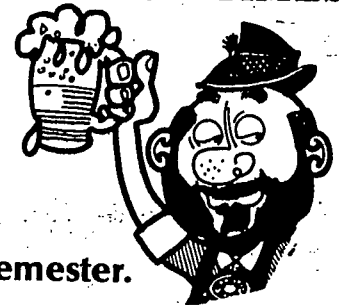
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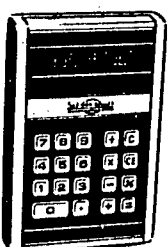
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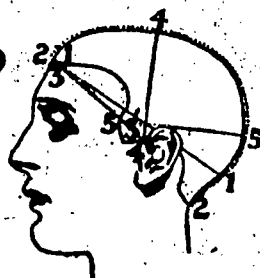
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Dean for a day

John Jackson

Hoping to bridge the communication gap that Student Senate sees existing between the Administration and the students, the Senate recently held a Student-Administration Interaction Day.

By initiating the Interaction Day, the Senate hoped to introduce students to different administrators, bridge the communication gap between students and administration, get an idea of how responsibilities are divided between different administrators and to help administrators find out what issues or problems are on the minds of students.

According to JeAnn Soren, Student Senate spokesperson, the interaction day was initiated by an anonymous letter to the Senate. The letter allegedly sent by an administration secretary, suggested the students didn't see the pressures and effects of the administrative jobs.

While involved in the interaction, the students sat in on administrators' activities for the day and experienced first-hand the task each administrator experiences daily.

When choosing the students for the interaction, it was decided that only non-senators and new senators would participate.

"We wanted people who didn't have direct contact with the administrators. They would not have a biased view, and we were looking for a first impression view of the job or the importance of the job," Soren explained.

Among the interactors was Jo Boley who spent the day with Dr. George English, vice president for academic affairs. During the course of the day she sat in on all of the meetings Dr. English had with the exception of salary contracts.

"I had no idea so much went on," Boley said of the day's activities.

In retrospect Dr. English felt the interaction beneficial. "We need to have

people reasonably knowledgeable about the campus structure," he said.

Spending the day with Bob Henry, director of News and Information, was Mike Leach. Leach participated in a variety of public relations' activities with Henry. They prepared news releases, interviewed people for stories and prepared for the dedication of the Herschel Neil Track.

During the day Henry and Leach also discussed complaints about the University and how efficient they felt the school was run.

"I know I benefited," Henry said. "We run the risk of just doing our jobs. It made me stop and think how students view these changes."

Over at Cauffield Hall Tammy Hayward sat in with Dr. Phil Hayes, dean of students. According to Hayes, "We did normal activities--phone calls, conferences and meetings. She got a better view of my job and responsibilities as dean of students."

Hayward also felt the experience informed her. "He made sure to tell me everything he did," she said.

Paula Barbieri spent the day with Don Henry, University treasurer, reviewing food contracts, discussing software packaging for financial systems adaptable to the computer systems, viewing the airplane the University is planning to buy and working on letters to people about renovation of Lamkin Gym.

Still to take part in the interaction are Dr. Owens with Steve Cipolla and Dr. John Mees with Roger Scarbrough.

But even with these interactions yet to take place, the results would seem to indicate the program a success. All the participants felt the program worthwhile and expressed hope for a continuation of the program next year.

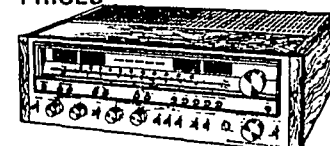


Horace Mann students Scott Hageman, P.J. Lucido and Greta Bahnmann deliver an invitation to Dr. B.D. Owens for their play, "Tortoise and Hare Hits the Road." The play will be presented May 1. Photo by Dave Gieseke.

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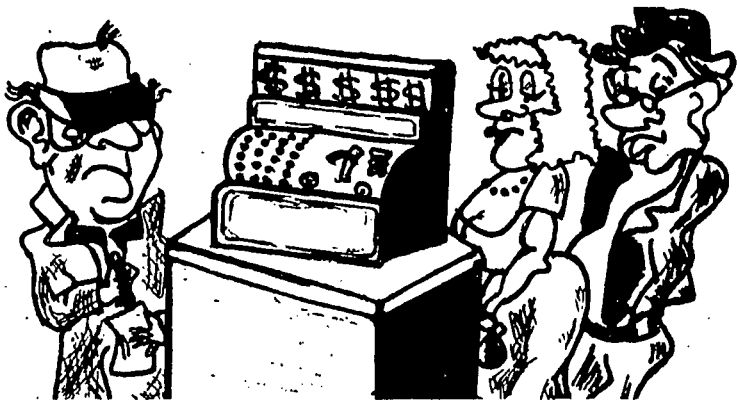
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Maryville has two sporting goods stores. The Sport Shop and B & W Sporting Goods. Such discount stores as K-Mart and Gibson's also offer some sport equipment.

The Sport Shop features tennis equipment. They have most name brands such as Wilson, Spalding and Bancroft. They also feature tennis shoes in Converse, Niki and Bata brands.

The Sport Shop also offers such sporting goods as baseball, camping and golf equipment.

But perhaps their main thrust is toward clothes. The Sport Shop has various types of warmup suits to just gym shorts and T-shirts.

The other sporting goods store in Maryville, B & W Sporting Goods offers a much wider selection than does The Sport Shop. In the shoe department B & W offers Puma, Brooks, Converse, Spoltbilt and Adidas.

Like The Sport Shop they also offer a wide range of gym clothes and tennis equipment, but they go a step further by having a bigger volume. Unlike The Sport Shop, B&W offers sporting equipment in the hunting and archery fields.

Unlike the sporting goods stores the so-called discount stores do not offer as wide a selection or have as high quality. But the one thing they do offer is discount prices.

K-Mart offers a little bit of everything from baseball and basketball to hunting and golfing. They also offer something that neither sporting goods store does--bowling equipment. K-Mart has a wide selection of bowling balls and shoes.

Bearfacts

Alpha Kappa Lambda Lil Sis' organization is sponsoring a garage sale to be held April 15 at 605 N. Market beginning at 8 a.m.

All National Direct Student Loan borrowers who are not returning for the summer and fall semesters should report to the NDSL office.

There will be a free "Escape to Movie Orgy" held in Horace Mann Auditorium, April 19, at 7 p.m. The Orgy features a series of shorts from old movies and cartoons to make a three-hour comedy.

Three faculty members will be attending a workshop on "Critical Issues in the Humanities" April 17-20 in Kansas City. Dr. Gary Davis, Department of History, Humanities and Philosophy; Dr. Carrol Fry, Department of English, and Dr. Robert Bohlken, Department of Speech and Theatre; will be working to design or alter current programs for humanistic education at NWMSU.

Students interested in obtaining information for Fulbright-Hays Scholarships (grants for graduate study abroad) should contact James Hurst, 326 Colden Hall, Extension 193.

Patty Easterla, an NWMSU student who is also wife of biology instructor Dr. David Easterla, will be featured in the Mrs. America Pageant to be shown on Cable T.V. channel 41 at 10:30 p.m., April 15.

Rex Jackson won the five-course candlelight dinner for four given by Cardinal Key National Honor Sorority.

The drawing was made by President Dr. B.D. Owens at the reception following the Awards Assembly March 28. All proceeds from the fund-raising event will go to help finance the Cardinal Key Regional Conference to be held at NWMSU this fall.

Millikan Hall is having Mother's Weekend April 14-16. After a luncheon Saturday, Clara's Fashions will present a style show at the Annex at 12:30. The Faculty Dames will be conducting tours of the campus after the style show. The movie *Lost Horizons* will be shown that evening.

Sigma Society Bridal Show will be held April 24 in the Charles Johnson Theater at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are 75 cents at the door. Door prizes will be given and refreshments will be served. The show is sponsored by *Modern Bride* and *Tober's*.

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Sports

May plays for God's glory

Gary Plummer

God and David May have a perfect record going.

May, a hometown product who is undefeated in seven outings as a freshman on the Bearcat tennis squad, plays tennis "for God's glory."

"I have to give a lot of the credit to God," explained May. "After all, it's a talent given to me by Him. With some people it's singing and with others it might be speaking. With me, it just happens to be tennis."

"He gives everyone talent," May continued. "But some people don't always use it for God's glory."

Of course, David's father deserves a little credit, too. Dr. Leland May, an English professor at the University, started David out on the courts at age 11 and still plays plenty of tennis with him today.

"He was a real good tennis player when he was younger and he still is," said David. "I think it was enjoyable for him to go out and play with me when I was younger. He sure has encouraged me a lot."

Tennis is a family affair for the May's. Dr. May, his wife Linda, David and a younger son Jon travel together to summer tennis tournaments and compete in their respective divisions. At 16, Jon is the number one player for the high school tennis team.

"We even bought a racket for Jennifer (six-year old sister) and cut the handle down for her," said David.

But tennis is more than just a game to David--it's become part of his life. He played number one all four years on his high school team, which won the Midland Empire Conference championship in 1975-77. David also participated in the state tennis meet his junior and senior years.

"High school was really my first taste of competition," said David. "The college players are a lot tougher. But I guess I've been pretty lucky."

It hasn't been all luck. David pointed out that Bearcat tennis coach Dr. John Byrd has played a key role in helping him polish his tennis game.

"I would like to help the team win the MIAA championship this year at Rolla," said David. And of course his ultimate goal is to compete in the NCAA finals some day.

But David will be the first to admit that making nationals will take plenty of practice--and prayer.

"I usually say a prayer before every match," he said. "But it's not to win, only to do my best. It keeps me calm, and I don't lose my head. I think I concentrate better that way."

David and his doubles partner, Mondelo Aadum, will be instructors at the Welby Van Horn Tennis Camp near Hartford, CT for most of this summer. The duo has been effective so far this season, winning all of their doubles matches.

Observers would conclude someone up there must like them.



David May practices his forehand stroke. May has posted a perfect 10-0 mark while playing at the number five singles position. Photo by Jay Liebenguth.



A Bearcat baserunner picks himself up after going into home for a score. The 'Cats entertain Central in three games this weekend in what will be a key MIAA matchup. Photo by Jay Liebenguth.

Redd searches for recruits

Quantity and quality seems to be the by-words for Coach Jim Redd in this year's football recruiting season.

"We lost 16 seniors the past year," said Redd. "We're looking for a cross-section of players who can fill a number of positions. We lost all of our secondary, and our offensive line had some losses."

The fact that there are so many spots to fill does not mean that a freshman can immediately step in and start for Redd. "It takes a lot of physical maturity to start," said Redd. "What we are looking for is a player who is capable of competing for a spot. Our program is based on development of the player. He has to be willing to work and will need motivation."

The type of-players to fit that bill will come from a number of different areas. Redd and his staff will conduct most of

their search for personnel in Northwest Missouri, the Kansas City and St. Louis areas, Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas. Any player coming from elsewhere, according to Redd, is through a personal tie.

It is from that area Redd hopes to find around 30 to 35 players. So far, he has signed 20 who will be first time 'Cats next year. These players will be part of the up to 80 players who can be invited to early practices, according to MIAA rules.

Although the real test on the recruiting season will come when the freshmen compete next fall, Redd is optimistic. "We had good success so far. Recruiting is very competitive. It is awfully important, but there's more to it than that. We've got to take what we get and then develop them. You can't just put them out on the field."

'Cats entertain Central this weekend

Friday and Saturday the Bearcat baseball team will play host to Central Missouri State University in a total of three games.

Last weekend the 'Cats swept a doubleheader from Baker University by the scores of 9-4 and 13-0.

The 'Cats got strong pitching performances from Ben Westman and Tom Franke. In the first game starting pitcher David Pfeiffer got stung early as he yielded two hits, walked three and hit a batter before Westman was called to the scene. All four runs were charged to Pfeiffer.

Westman went the rest of the way allowing only four hits in 6 2/3 innings. With this victory Westman's record moves to 2-1.

Offensively the 'Cats were once again led by Bill Sobbe, Gary Hinton and Bill

Barton, all 400-plus hitters. Third baseman Marty Albertson also collected three hits in the opener.

The second half of the double header belonged to Franke. The sophomore righthander threw his first collegiate no-hitter as the 'Cats won 13-0. Franke struck out seven batters, walked one and hit another. This victory pushes his record to 3-0.

"We're hitting the ball real well, but our pitching has not come around like we thought it would," Wasem said. "But we're an interesting ballclub and should be exciting to watch."

Evaluating the season so far, Wasem said, "We haven't got the speed we've had in the past, but we feel our hitting and pitching will more than make up for it."

Dental student fills reliever need

Dave Gleseke

With the same precision as he drills a curve ball into Bill Sobbe's mitt, Ben Westman may one day drill into Sobbe's mouth.

pitcher, has been accepted into the University of Missouri at Kansas City dental school. At NWMSU Westman has majored in pre-dentistry.

"Ever since the fourth grade I've wanted to be a dentist. Dentistry is a little more

secure than baseball. If I go on to play pro ball and throw my arm out, then my baseball career is over. But if I go and throw my arm out tomorrow, I will still have my dental career," Westman said.

"I enjoy working with my hands," Westman continued. "I've got to be my own boss. I would be lying, though, if I said money wasn't a factor because it is a lot of it."

Although dentistry and baseball seem far apart, Westman sees similarities.

"A pitcher is unique and is his own boss. He has to call his own pitches, and if he thinks his curve ball is good, then he goes with it. A dentist is much the same way. He has to make his own decisions," he said.

Even though his major sometimes calls for a heavy classload, Westman does not think it affects his play on the ball diamond.

"In fact, it might even help it because I have to schedule time for my studies. This way I don't neglect them," Westman said.

Westman was recruited from Winnetonka High School in Kansas City by Coach Jim Wasem. Westman was later helpful in bringing two other Winnetonka stars to Wasem's baseball Bearcats--Dennis Webb and Bill Sobbe.

"I told them that Coach Wasem made it enjoyable just to practice. Between him and Dr. Smith (David), my adviser, they have made these four years my best," Westman said.

On the sidelines

Dale Gard

Basketball's second season is about to get underway.

The first season, the regular season that is, didn't disappoint, with one playoff spot not being decided until the final day of the season. But now basketball is about to enter into the playoff season--when the going get rough, and yes, the rough get going.

Because that is the key in the playoffs: who is the roughest, or more correctly, who can go through the second season avoiding the costly injuries. It's an old cliché, but it's true. Of course, the talent must be there, too. But that talent has to be used in a way that it is best suited. It could even come down to having a player who is able to dominate during a short series.

These reasons narrow down the 12 teams in the field (division leaders Philadelphia, San Antonio, Denver, and Portland, plus at-large teams New York, Washington, Cleveland, Atlanta, Milwaukee, Phoenix, Seattle and Los Angeles) to six teams that have any chance of winning the playoffs.

One of the at-large teams that has a chance is Phoenix. Phoenix is young (five first-year players), and they play to their potential by using an excellent team-oriented offense. But they probably don't have any dominant player who can take them all the way.

The other at-large team with a chance shapes up as a huge dark horse. It is Los Angeles. L.A. finished only fourth in the Pacific Division of the Western Conference, but they also have Abdul-Jabbar, who can dominate over any team in a short series. For that reason, plus an excellent supporting cast headed by forward Adrian Dantley, the Lakers have to be watched.

In addition to those two teams, the four division winners, of course, have to be looked at as good shots, although two don't figure in as highly as the other two.

Denver can put up a lot of points, and they have a lot of talent, but they always seem to have trouble winning in pressure situations, which certainly describes the playoffs.

Central Division winner San Antonio can put up even more points on the board, and they do play a running game which suits their players' style perfectly, but they probably don't have a dominant player to help them through.

Portland is great when they are on, so they must be watched in the playoffs. They play the great defense, and they have the best passing offense in the league. But they have had questionable health this year at times. If they are healthy, with Bill Walton, Maurice Lucas and company, they will be tough to beat. But if not, forget them.

The final team is Philadelphia. Philly has the best bench in the league, which means that they could better weather the injuries. They are probably the most talented team in the league, and their running style fits them well, although they have trouble fitting everyone into the offense at times. If that is not enough, they have one of the few forwards who can dominate in Julius Erving.

All those reasons point to Philadelphia to win the playoffs, but don't count out any of the six, especially Portland and Los Angeles.



Pitcher Ben Westman fires one home. Westman has compiled a 1.50 ERA through 11 games so far this year. Photo by Jay Liebhenguth.

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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

I would like to express my concern about the resignation of Mr. Douglas Tucker, an instructor in the political science department. Mr. Tucker is an excellent instructor with high credentials who has established an excellent rapport with his students. For an instructor of this caliber to leave NWMSU because of petty interdepartmental squabbles and lack of tenure is a sad reflection of the prevailing attitudes on this campus.

Both students and faculty have been making an effort to keep Mr. Tucker here. I strongly urge ALL students and faculty to support this effort.

Robert Bartles

Dear Editor,

A friend of mine called my attention to the remarks made recently by Desmon Disney and Mrs. Nalbantis on South African problems. My reply was that the two speakers were trying to explain the ugly realities in Africa. One feels that South Africa needs immediate change that will give the Black African equal part of good life. The other wants the change to be gradual so that the White Africans would not lose their "Afrikaner nationalism." Where both will lead us will make the difference.

Africa has been regarded as a museum piece in our time, a hangover from dark ages of mankind. One government after the other has been toppled, over 15 by military takeover. These events have frequently been accompanied by violence, bloodshed, a heavy toll of life, murder and even assassination. These are ugly realities in Africa from which people wish to hedge away.

Today the number of independent states in Africa has risen rapidly. The successor of colonialism is neocolonialism, dependency and multilateralization of ties.

Basically, African problems arose from the fact that metropolitan countries co-opt the upper layer of African society into international habits of consumption and style. The more the expectations of these elites arise, the more they alienate themselves from their national society which is locked into its underdevelopment. Africans have never got a chance to spread development in their society.

Political independence is the first step, and the last step of complete independence may not be attainable in increasingly interdependent states. Each layer of colonial influence in Africa is supported by others. As each layer is removed, it uncovers and exposes the next.

Far too little value has been attached to the African native intelligence on which so much of Africa has operated in the past. Enemies of human rights are profiting from instability in Africa. Communism is knocking desperately at the African door. Many American have traced their roots back to Africa. The time is ripe for Americans to come out openly and help Africans.

African problems will not be solved by only emotional IGBO KWENU (i.e. IGBO slogan of peace). Very close association with all various groups can give a keen insight into the customs, traditions and general way of life. Africa is a fertile soil for world peace.

Coamos Okafor [MAZI]
Nigerian Student

Editor:

NWMSU students have come through again. 272 students and staff went to the ballroom of the Student Union on Monday, April 10 to give blood. This is indeed a great accomplishment and the students should be congratulated.

A special thanks should go to Brian Crawford who coordinated student help and personally spent many hours working during the Bleed-In. Again, congratulations for a job well-done.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Elwyn DeVore, Chairman
Nodaway County Blood Bank

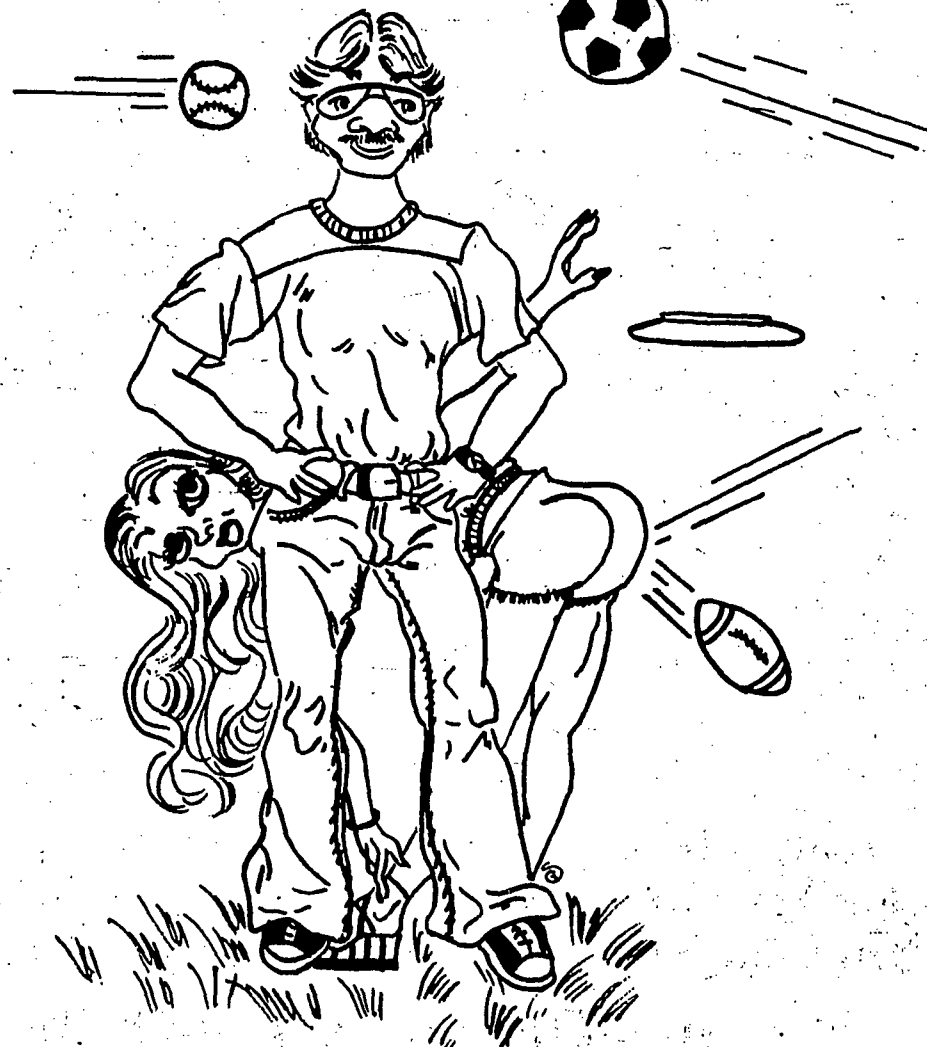
To The Editor:

Many NWMSU students celebrated last Thursday and Friday, March 30 and 31. District Music Contest was held on campus those two days, thus numerous classes were cancelled.

However, while many students relaxed, a number of people were working long hours--all on a volunteer basis. I'm speaking of the approximately 50 students who helped as doorkeepers, runners and general help at the contest. For many, the day started at 7:30 a.m. and ended at 6:30 p.m.

The University as a whole perhaps doesn't appreciate the time and effort spent by not only the students, but also the faculty and staff for this event. Planning has gone on for weeks to make this contest successful. This festival gives many students a chance to see the University, an excellent recruiting device. It allows the University to "show off" to these prospective students.

By Mercer



Ah! Spring is in the air!

The Stroller

Your Stroller woke up bright and early Saturday. Some think 3 p.m. isn't exactly early, but after his usual Friday night activities, getting up at all was quite an achievement.

Rising from the floor near his bed, he noticed it was very warm in the ol' dorm room. Your Stroller, ever imaginative and intelligent, decided to solve this problem by switching on the room air conditioner. Turning the dial, he was greeted by a pleasant burst of hot air, which immediately drove him out into the hall.

The corridor was buzzing with an unusual amount of activity. At least six people were stumbling around, twice the normal number of weekend residents.

Through careful computation your Hero deduced that something must be up. A sign on the door of the john answered his question. "FIREFALL TONIGHT" was printed in capital letters.

Knowing that concerts were a gathering place for many lovely young fillies, your man-about-campus went to put on his best lady-killer clothes.

Digging under the pile of smelly gym socks and muddy overalls, he found what he was looking for. What could possibly

The Student Music Educators National Conference of NWMSU was in charge of student help at this year's festival. As president of that organization, I give a big "hats off" salute to the faculty and staff of the Department of Music, and most of all, to the innumerable hours volunteered by NWMSU students to make the two days a tremendous success!

Once again, to all involved, my personal thanks for a fantastic effort and a tremendous feat accomplished! The University is indebted to all of you.

Sincerely,
Chris W. Tornquist

attract the chickies better than a red Bourbon Street T-shirt, white painter's pants, complete with various colored paints on the seat, and white sneakers with red shoe laces.

To complete the image your Stroller splashed on several ounces of GRUNT cologne, guaranteed to bring out the animal in women. True to the promise the stuff smelled rather beastly.



Knowing that he was now irresistible, your Campus Carouser decided to approach the first lovely young thing he saw. Just as he was about to deliver his favorite come-on line--"Hey babe. Wanna get lucky?"--the lass fled holding her nose.

"I must have been too much for the poor thing. She was simply overcome by the sight of me," thought your campus Don Juan as he again pointed himself in the direction of Lamkin.

Nearing the front door your Stroller whipped out his trusty activity card. "Sorry friend, it's two-fifty for this trip," said the Union Board worker at the door. "We're just trying to put a little money back in the till. We have so little to work with," she added.

Scanning his funds your Stroller noticed he had \$2.25. Heading back toward the dorm he realized he had just enough for a six pack and a night of happy oblivion.

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